(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the relevnt Provisions government such promotions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The subject of Yoga is not taught as an elective in Classes XI and XII in Kendriya Vidyalayas and as such there are no promotional posts provided for them as for other miscellaneous categories of teachers. Regularisation of all the Yoga teachers is also under way. After regularisation, they would become eligible for time-bound grade promotion facilities.

Non-Payment of Special Duty Allowance to K.V.S. Teachers of North-East Region

1449. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Special Duty Allowance is payable to Central Government employees and those of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, ONGC etc. posted in North-East Region;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether such allowance is not being paid to the teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan recruited in 1984, specifically for posting in North-East Region and later rendered transferable; and

(d) if so, what is the justification therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Special Duty Allowance is admissible to Kenddiya Vidyalaya Sangathan employees posted in North-East Region as per Government of India instructions|rules.

(c) and (d) Special Duty Allowance was not admissible to teachers specially recruited during 1984 for appointment in North-East Region, since one of the conditions for their appointment was that they would not be transferred to other regions and they were not eligible to draw special duty allowance, as per Government of India instructions. However, the Board of Governors at its meeting held on 13-7-89 decided that such teachers who were recruited especially in 1984 might also be made eligible for transfer outside the region. This decisions has been made applicable from 1990-91 by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. The question of grant of special duty allowance to these employees is under consideration.

Settin up of Nuclear Power Plants with Soviet Assistance

1450. KUMARI ALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what progress has been made so far regarding setting up of two nuclear power plants with Soviet Assistance;

(b) when they are likely to start functioning; and

(c) what is the plan of utilisation of nuclear power generated by them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) and (b) An Inter-Governmental Agreement between India and USSR for cooperation in construction of a nuclear powed station consisting of two units, each of 1000 MW pressurised light water reactors, was signed was laid on the Table of the House on November 21, 1988. Details regarding the project construction schedules, costs etc. are under discussion in a Joint Committee. The report of the Committee is yet to be finalised. Only thereafter can Government proceed with regard to a final decision on implementation of the project.

(c) Since the project is proposed to be set up in Kudankulam in Tamil Nadu, it is expected to supply power to the southern grid of the country. The concerned States will get their share of electricity as per laid down guidelines in this regard.